

Minutes

TO: Community Planning and Physical Services Committee
FROM: Ben Wenograd, Chairperson
DATE: January 18, 2017
SUBJECT: Community Planning and Physical Services Committee

IN ATTENDANCE: Ben Wenograd, Shari Cantor, Denise Hall, Dallas Dodge, Leon Davidoff, Chris Barnes, Ron Van Winkle, Kimberly Boneham, John Phillips, Mark McGovern, Todd Dumais, Kristin Gorski

The Community Planning and Physical Services Committee met on Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 5:30pm, in Town Hall, Room 312, to discuss the following:

AGENDA

1. Zoning Ordinances

- **Bees**
The Committee discussed a proposed ordinance to allow bee keeping in West Hartford, issues of notice to neighbors and their ability to appeal the process were raised.
- **Experiential Retail**
The staff discussed a draft ordinance to allow experiential retailing in West Hartford. The ordinance is still a work in progress and will be brought back to the Committee for further discussion.
- **Food Trucks**
The Committee discussed three ordinances that would allow food trucks in West Hartford. The Committee recommend the ordinance to allow a food truck park as a main use be moved forward.

2. Trout Brook Trail

The staff reviewed the plans for the Troutbrook Trail and the public hearing being held with the neighborhoods. The plan is to construct phases 5, 6, and 7 of the trail in the summer of 2017. Phase 5 runs from Farmington to Asylum and is estimated to cost \$353,000, 80% of which is funded through a federal grant. Phase six runs from Fern to Duffield and is 100% funded from a grant from DEEP. Phase 7 is a short run from Duffield to Asylum and is funded with local funds.

3. Planning Studies

Todd Dumais reviewed the TOD study being done on New Park Avenue which should wrap up in February and the ongoing workshop with Center neighborhood representatives. A Community meeting on the Center study is expected to be held February 7th.

4. Complete Streets Annual Report

The Committee discussed the annual Complete Streets report.

5. Recycling

John Phillips discussed the recycling fees at Brixton Street and a plan to eliminate the free day pass and raise the annual fee from \$5 to \$10.

6. Executive Session – UConn

The Committee held an executive session on UConn, Mayor Cantor did not participate.

C: Town Council
Ronald Van Winkle, Town Manager
Patrick Alair, Corporation Counsel
Essie Labrot, Town Clerk
Department Directors